

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, SY

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO PRESIDENT ASAD

REF: DAMASCUS 463

1. PLEASE DELIVER ASAP THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT CARTER TO PRESIDENT ASAD:

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I WAS VERY PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOUR THOUGHTFUL AND  
HEARTENING MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES UPON MY INAUGURATION AS  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.  
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YOU HAVE MY ASSURANCE THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE  
IN ITS COMMITMENT TO WORLD PEACE AND TO THE STRENGTHENING  
OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

I SHARE YOUR HOPE THAT OUR JOINT EFFORTS IN THE CAUSE OF  
PEACE WILL CONTRIBUTE TO A JUST AND LASTING RESOLUTION OF

THE CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND FURTHER CEMENT THE TIES  
OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF SYRIA AND THE UNITED  
STATES.

SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE THIS MESSAGE,  
BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF SARG WISHES TO DO SO.  
HARTMAN

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## Message Attributes

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